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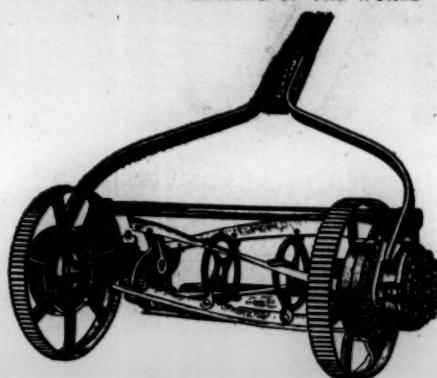
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DECEMBER, the month of "The Gift," is always filled with quickened pulsations of *human* life; nature in her growing moods is quiet, all green things are still or hidden, the skies are the arena of her activities, clouds, sunshine, winds, snow and rain are the expressions of her energy and humanity's blood tingles with the frost and cold. The quiet dark starlit nights, the clear crisp sunshine or the grey wind-swept days tell us that the Christmas tide draws near. It is the time of homecomings, of fireside gatherings, of the fellowship of man with his fellow man and the Christian world following the custom set by "The Wise Men" celebrates this great religious festival in a spirit of *giving*; that universal expression of peace and good will among men. Giving is a talent, inherited by some, cultivated by others and never understood by many; the ideal gift, we all know, expresses individuality and personality between people; the "Great Christmas Gift" was the giving of Self, the most priceless possession one has. To the inhabitant of the spiritual and intellectual world this giving is the supreme expression of generosity, the materialist has yet to learn its value. The material gift is made either in a spirit of love, resignation or rebellion, and according to its inspiration such is its value and worth in the realm of "Things as they are." Today the cry goes up against the fret, the worry, the strain of Christmas giving. We lose our sense of proportion and our opportunity for celebrating a real Christmas when we are overwhelmed with rush, hurry and anxiety at this blessed season. If we would hasten the "Reign of Peace on Earth" let us begin with ourselves and let us express *our* Christmas joy by gifts which will express only love and a genuine desire to bring happiness to others. All around us there are so many weary hearts who long for sympathy and appreciation, there are so many old people and little children whom no one seems to remember and properly love at this season; they would all be made glad by such a little bit of Christmas cheer. The Christ-child saw beauty in the lilies of the field and reminds us that "inasmuch as ye do it to the *least* of these;" the Christmas carols and the Christmas bells all tell of the simple things in life, all urge to love, gentleness, patience, good will and forgiveness. This is the ideal Christmas celebration, and as this atmosphere pervades our homes and fills our hearts our Christmas giving will be easy and its joy will fill our souls.

DEAR MISS POPPENHEIM: Having rendered such long and valuable services to the Board, you well know how busy a clubwoman can be, but I am glad to be never too much occupied but a pleasant half-hour can be found to read *The Keystone*, and not alone a pleasant half-hour but a helpful one. Thank you so much for the November issue. I was sorry to have missed you at the California Biennial. LAURA S. SNEATH,
Tiffin, Ohio.

Second Vice President General Federation.

DEAR MISS P.: I want to thank you for the copies of *The Keystone* that have been courteously sent me, and to tell you how useful I have found them in my efforts to keep in touch with the educational work of all the State Federations. Enclosed please find check for subscription for the coming two years.

MRS. O. SHEPARD BARNUM,

Chm. of Education Committee General Federation of Women's Clubs.
Alhambra, Cal.

THE Washington, D. C., Convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy was one marked by harmony and good feeling among the delegates; the great sorrow which hangs over the home of the President-General, Mrs. White, and which kept her away from the Convention, touched every womanly heart; the gracious and sweet-natured Vice President-General, Mrs. Odenheimer, presided with womanly sweetness and filled the difficult position with courage and dignity. Every one seemed to want to help to make a good Convention, and the sunshine which brightened the exercises at Arlington continued its heartening rays all through the week of pleasure, inspiration and patriotic endeavor. It was a momentous week for hundreds of Southern women and the memory of it will bear fruit in our national life in the years to come.

The official recognition of this representative band of Southern women by the President of the United States, the sympathetic sentiments of good fellowship expressed by the President-General of the Daughters of the American Revolution at one of the sessions, the atmosphere of courtesy and consideration exhibited on all sides touched hundreds of Southern hearts. The Washington Convention may have been an experiment hazarded by the brilliant and loyal "Daughters" of the South resident in the capital, but they built better than they knew, for those thousand visiting U. D. C.'s returned to their homes all over the South no less Confederates and far better Americans.

WOMEN'S CLUBS through the various committees, departments, federations and conventions are offered a new agency of co-operation.

The Russell Sage Foundation has organized a new Department of Surveys and Exhibits which is intended to furnish counsel and field assistance touching the gathering of facts, and the outlining of working programs based upon these facts. The new department will endeavor to render all reasonable service. Already the applications for information have ranged from neighborhood traveling exhibits to be used in one city only, on up to international congresses and exhibitions. The requests have extended from a neighborhood study to be conducted by an Epworth League to a comprehensive investigation involving the expenditure of thousands of dollars. Correspondence may be addressed to 31 Union Square, New York. Mr. Shelby M. Harrison is director and E. C. Routzahn, associate director.

"*The Business of Being a Woman*," by Ida M. Tarbell, is a book which should be read by every woman in this day of woman's great unrest and desire for public life. Every page is full of good sound doctrine and by following the principles here expressed much happiness could be brought into the home. This *business* of being a woman is indeed a tremendous proposition which comparatively few women have grasped. Miss Tarbell says: "A great problem of human life is to preserve faith in and zest for everyday activities; the highest civilization is that in which the largest number are so placed as to realize the dignity and beauty of the common experiences and obligations." To make a comfortable, happy, artistic home is a complicated profession which requires intellect, education, training and application.

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Jacksonville, Ill.

MRS. HUGH BARR SMITH.

OFFICIAL CLUB NEWS

For the State Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, North Carolina, Florida and Virginia. (This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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 (98 Clubs—6,245 Members.)

THE S. C. Federation Year Books have been printed and distributed to all clubs in the Federation. The Recording Secretary, Miss Cooley, has done this work most satisfactorily and requests all club presidents to read every page carefully. She will be glad to know of any corrections necessary, and any clubs desiring extra copies may get them by applying to her and sending ten cents in stamps. Address Miss Rosa Cooley, Frogmore P. O., St. Helena Island, S. C.

THERE HAS BEEN a demand for juvenile circulating libraries in the State, and also a call for books on modern subjects, such as Agriculture, Domestic Science, Home Sanitation, etc. It would help our work to have some clubs give us libraries for children, and others present us with new libraries, including books on the suggested subjects. Our present libraries are largely in a dilapidated condition. The call for them even in this State should encourage us to form new and up-to-date collections in response to the requests so frequently coming in to us. We beg the clubs' aid in this good work.

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SOUTH CAROLINA CLUBWOMEN have been recognized by the General Federation in the 1912 directory by being placed on the following committees:

Civil Service Reform—Mrs. J. M. Visanska.
 Civics—Mrs. A. F. McKissick.
 Advisory Committee on Public Health—Dr. L. Ross Gantt.
 Music—Miss Mary Hart Law.
 Legislation—Mrs. W. B. Burney.

THE CHARLESTON CITY FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS tendered a reception to the delegates attending the U. D. C. Convention meeting in Charleston on December 3d in historic South Carolina Hall. Mrs. C. E. Graham, President of the S. C. Division U. D. C., and Mrs. M. T. Coleman, President of the S. C. Federation, were special guests of honor, and the Charleston clubwomen were glad to welcome these visiting delegates and to get acquainted with the new State President. The hall was beautifully decorated and capable committees were in charge of the tea table, refreshments and moving the guests, making the afternoon a most enjoyable success.

MISS JEAN GORDON, of New Orleans, one of the speakers at the Greenville meeting of the State Conference of Charities and Corrections, was invited to come to Charleston November 16th and 17th as the guest of the Charleston City Federation of Women's Clubs. She made a most interesting address before the Charleston clubwomen in the Gibbes Art Building on Saturday afternoon and

spoke again before the People's Forum on Sunday night. She is most enthusiastic in her efforts in behalf of the working women of the South and made an earnest plea for compulsory education, better laws preventing child labor, and for women on boards of public institutions having care of women and children.

BISHOPVILLE has recently had the pleasure of having as an honored guest the President of the S. C. Federation, Mrs. M. T. Coleman, of Abbeville. She came at the request of the Civic League and while here did all she could to inform and encourage the members of the League. Mrs. Coleman made an address on November 7th in the courthouse, before a large audience. Mrs. C. W. Harris, of the Bishopville Civic League, very gracefully introduced Mrs. Coleman, who spoke on Club Work in all its departments, and as a result of her visit we expect to do more extensive club work than we have ever done before. Friday afternoon Mrs. Coleman was guest of honor at a reception given by the Civic League at the home of Mrs. J. A. Hearon. An interesting program was carried out and delicious refreshments served.

THE CHESTER CIVIC LEAGUE is to be congratulated upon its splendid campaign for the protection of trees along the public highways of the county.

ANDERSON, SUMTER AND BENNETTSVILLE report plans for fairs for benefit of leagues, and other clubs are interested in these places.

MRS. JOHN DRAKE.

ON OCTOBER 5th, instead of the meeting of the Mother's Club, there was a Patron Teacher meeting at the Indiantown graded school. After assembling, the motto for the day, "*The best preparation for the future is the present well seen to,*" was repeated. The roll was then called and each mother present responded with a sentence telling one habit she would like to have established in her child. Rev. F. H. Wardlaw gave a vocal solo; Mrs. Jas. F. Cooper's selection suggested many ideas for developing right habits in children. A splendid paper on co-operation was read by Mrs. W. D. Daniel. The last number of the program was an address by Mr. Jas. W. Drake, principal of the Indiantown graded school. Mr. Drake spoke briefly on the subject of co-operation of parents and teachers, and commended the members of the Mother's Club on their interest in the school. After Miss Clera Rhame's paper on "Helping the Child at Home," Mr. Wardlaw awakened the fathers to their responsibility in the child's school life.

While reflecting upon the many thoughts presented, the meeting closed with an instrumental solo by Miss Jane Ervin.

ALICE C. McCUTCHEON.

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"*The Culture of Personality*," by J. Herman Randall, is a very carefully prepared psychological treatment of this wonderful mystery. He explains what personality is, how it can be developed and controlled, what has been its power in art, history, literature and religion, and how the different mental and emotional expressions develop or retard its growth. The chapters on mastery of the affection, training of the mind, and education of the will are most helpful and interesting. Man's great problem of today is the search for *himself*, and he is best studied and analyzed by means of *Psychology* rather than as formerly believed by Science. This book is instructive and uplifting.

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President—Mrs. Wm. Hocker, Ocala.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Macon Thornton, Ormond.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. D. Davis, Ocala.
(39 Clubs—1,641 Members.)

THE eighteenth annual meeting of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs, held on November 19th-21st at West Palm Beach, will long be remembered, not only for the fine work accomplished, but the perfect manner in which every detail was conducted. It was the largest convention in the history of this State of clubwomen. Mrs. A. E. Frederick presided with a grace and decision that made the meeting a success, and she will long be remembered as one of the successful presidents, while there can be no word of praise too high for the hostess club, "*The Entra Nous*." The meetings were held in the new Congregational church, and its pastor, Rev. Mr. Waldo, gave the invocation. Both he and Mrs. Waldo were charming in their attentions to the visiting delegates. It is impossible to give the sessions in detail. The president's report was a masterpiece of conciseness and facts. When Mrs. E. G. G. Munsell, the mother of the Florida Federation and now its honorary president, was called on for her report as General Federation Secretary, every one in the hall stood up, in loving recognition of the best-loved woman in the State Federation. Then followed greetings from the various associations of West Palm Beach, that of the *Shakespeare Club* being given by Mrs. Charles Jefferson, and "*The Girls' Social Club*" by Miss Zelia Bay, saying "they hoped sometime to have one of their members on the school board, which brought down the house. *The Woodman's Circle*, the *Eastern Star* and the *Woman's Educational Association* were also represented, Mrs. Olivia Burnham answering for the last. *Bird Protection* had as a representative Mrs. William Blackman, of Winter Park, who spoke for the Audubon Society also. Mrs. Cook, of Miami, gave an excellent report on the *Education Committee* work, and Mrs. Randall on *Social Conditions*. Mrs. Gay's report on *Civic* was the paper of the afternoon. The *Forestry* report was listened to with great attention, and Mrs. Kirk Munroe was complimented on it. Wednesday morning and afternoon were given over to the various club reports, and certainly no one can doubt that heard them the great work that has been accomplished all over the State by the women's clubs of the State. Tuesday evening Mrs. Young, president of the Jacksonville Club, who went to San Francisco as the State delegate, gave a remarkable account of the General Federation meeting there in June. Wednesday evening Mrs. Frank Jennings gave the work of the *Legislative Committee*, and made such a plea for improvement in the institutions of the State, that something must be done. Rev. Dr. James Cope, of Miami, was the speaker of the evening, on "*Women on the School Board*," and received the thanks of every one present for his splendid appeal that the mothers as well as the fathers should have a chance to say how their children should be taught. Thursday evening the prize essay on *Art* was read by Mrs. Grace Manlove,

chairman of the State Art Committee. The paper was one of sixteen sent in and was written by Mrs. Charles Harper, of Boynton. Mrs. H. H. Kirkpatrick followed, with a charming paper on "*The New Woman in Old China*," which was greatly enjoyed. During the sessions a paper written by Mrs. Minnie Moore Willson, on "*The Seminoles*," was read by Mrs. Kirk Munroe, in the absence of Mrs. Willson. The new officers are:

President—Mrs. William Hocker, Ocala.
First Vice President—Mrs. Chas. Cay, Tallahassee.
Second Vice President—Mrs. E. N. Dimick, West Palm Beach.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Macon Thornton, Ormond.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. D. Davis, Ocala.
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Secretary to General Federation—Mrs. A. E. Frederick, Miami.
State Correspondent "Keystone" and "Tampa Times"—Mrs. Willis B. Powell.

After the president's election Mrs. Frank Jennings gave a vote of thanks in the name of the Federation to Mrs. Frederick for the splendid work accomplished during her administration.

MRS. KIRK MUNROE.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Address all communications for North Carolina to Mrs. Thos. B. Tyson, Carthage, N. C., Chairman on Publication.

President—Mrs. R. R. Cotten, Bruce, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Miss Gertrude Weil, Goldsboro, N. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. John L. Wooten, Greenville, N. C.
(82 Clubs—3,198 Members.)

THE members of the Carthage Civic Club are directing their best efforts toward establishing a small public library, which will be formally opened to the town December 17th. In anticipation of this occasion 300 invitations have been issued to the citizens, asking them to add an individual contribution—either a good book or the price of one. As a social feature, refreshments will be served. An ideally located, large room has been rented, and attractively equipped as a reading room, which will be kept open two afternoons and evenings of the week. If enthusiasm and systematic work can accomplish anything the new library bids fair to be the most successful undertaking ever attempted by this club.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB of High Point has gotten out most attractive Year Books for the present year. On one page it gives special features of the year's work, 1911-1912, among them being: Interesting lectures by Mrs. W. N. Hutt, Dr. Delia Dixon Carroll, Mrs. A. B. Kimball and Mrs. C. D. McIver, Supt. Thornwell Haynes, Prof. J. T. Walker, Prof. Hill; and a *Junior Civic League* organized in every grade in all the schools, white and colored—thirty white and nine colored leagues, with a membership of 1,400 white and 600 colored children. Two thousand copies of Catechism, issued by the State Board of Health, were given the Health officer of the city for distribution, also 4,000 placards prepared by the department, and the *Civic Department* aided in the expense of annual cleaning of the city to the extent of \$65. Baby Crib was placed in railway station by Civic Department, and a social settlement known as *Friendship Hall*,

inaugurated by Social Service Department, with Miss Helen McCarthey as head worker. Seventy-four Christmas baskets distributed to the poor at cost of \$115.17, donated by the Elks. A total expenditure of \$954.36 for philanthropic purposes. Nurses provided for four cases, and hospital treatment given a woman and a little girl. Over 250 garments given the poor, and a number of children placed in school. *Literature Department*, numbering 30 members, made a study of American writers. *Home Economics Department*, with a membership of 40, gave practical demonstration in food preparation at every meeting, served refreshments at each general meeting of the club, and made a contribution to the Domestic Science Department of public school. On September 28th for the beginning of the present year's work the *Social Service Department* celebrated Annual Tag Day or Contribution Day, and secured over \$500 in cash and pledges.

THE NORTH CAROLINA SOROSIS (Wilmington) is planning to have a big bazaar on the 3d, 4th and 5th of December. The funds to be raised for a clubhouse. Each department will have its own booth and individual display. The members of this club are looking forward to very helpful, entertaining courses of study in Art, Music, and Literature Departments, and they hope to pursue a line of work through the Home Science, Health and Civic Departments that will prove beneficial, not alone to Sorosis, but to the entire community in which they feel such a deep interest.

THE DUTIES of the General Federation Secretary are clearly defined and most appropriately summed up as follows: The General Federation State Secretary is the chief representative of the national organization in her State and her work is to bring together the General Federation and the individual club.

THE ECLECTIC CLUB, of Ansonville, has the honor of having secured a scholarship in Littleton Female College for the benefit of a most deserving young lady of the town (Miss Mary Cagle). The scholarship is worth \$75 and is supplemented by a donation of \$25 from Mr. L. L. Little (the husband of the club's president).

THE CLUBWOMEN OF WILMINGTON are much gratified that through their efforts domestic science has been reinstated in the public schools of the city.

THE YOUNG MATRONS' CLUB, of Chadbourn, recently presented forty-four volumes and case to the library of the high school.

IN EARLY NOVEMBER the Goldsboro Woman's Club entertained at a tea the teachers of the county, assembled in Goldsboro for a teachers' meeting preliminary to the beginning of the winter session. More than forty guests were present, among them Mr. Atkinson, county superintendent of education; Mr. Pusey, superintendent of city schools; Mr. Cramer Boogden, assistant State superintendent of public instruction, and Mr. Wright, president of the Eastern Training School. A musical program was rendered and light refreshments served.

ACTIVITIES IN THE WOMAN'S CLUB of Greensboro have shown an unusual enthusiasm and spirit of co-operation which argues well for the success of all departments during the present club year. Starting off with an enrollment of

forty members and a number of interested sympathizers who expect to come in later. The first meeting, held at the home of the chairman, Mrs. R. L. Justice, was addressed by Miss McCarthy, head of the social service department of the High Point Woman's Club. She told of the splendid work being done by the women in that town and offered helpful suggestions for Greensboro. Present at this meeting also was Captain Botts, of the Salvation Army, whose services will be of great value in investigating applicants and determining those worthy of assistance. As a means of revenue for the prosecution of antituberculosis work in the county, the Woman's Club will have charge of the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals in Greensboro. Among other things "worth while," the club will make an earnest campaign for medical inspection in the city schools. It has been already introduced in Guilford county. A social feature looked forward to with much pleasure will be the entertainment of the teachers who attend the Teachers' Assembly, to be held in Greensboro the latter part of November. This will doubtless be one of the most elaborate functions of the season. Professors M. C. S. Noble and E. K. Graham, of the North Carolina State University, and W. C. Smith, of the State Normal and Industrial College, are among the lecturers booked by the literature department. Others yet to hear from will complete a most interesting and instructive lecture course.

I HAVE JUST READ *The Keystone*, with interest always, and send fifty cents for renewal of subscription, for I would not be without it.

MRS. EUGENE LITTLE,
Chairman N. C. Division Committee on Education.
Wadesboro, N. C., October 22, 1912.

VIRGINIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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(16 Clubs—1,800 Members.)

VIRGINIA FEDERATION notes have been delayed.
Extra full notes will appear in January.

Christmas Presents.

IT has been said that some people are born with a talent for Christmas giving; what a blessing such a talent is; those who have it often include antiques on their list of "acceptables;" there is nothing more appropriate and to the collector nothing more desired; they increase in value with the years and every one is glad to own a "rare piece." One of the most celebrated antique shops in America is found in Charleston, where O'Hagan & Son have collected a wonderful array of rare old furniture, china, glass and silver. At Christmas time they receive orders from all over the country for "rare bits" to be used as Christmas presents. In making out one's Christmas list a few antiques should be included, and these can be best secured at W. J. O'Hagan & Son's, Charleston, S. C., who are reliable, pack their goods carefully and are painstaking and understanding in their dealings with their customers.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

President—Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, 2606 White's Ave., Austin, Texas.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Eugene Reiley, Charlotte, N. C.

[These notes are official for December as sent out to the official organs by the General Federation *Bulletin*.]

PRESIDENT'S GREETINGS. Before beginning my usual letter let me give you three news items. Mrs. John Threadgill has found it necessary, on account of illness in her family, to resign the treasurership. She has filled this difficult position so admirably that it is a matter of universal regret that she has found it necessary to give up active work for the time being. Her books are models of neatness and accuracy. Mrs. William B. Williams, of Lapeer, Mich., has been elected, and has accepted the treasurership. The directorship thus made vacant has been tendered Miss Georgie Bacon, of Worcester, Mass. We have not yet had time to hear Miss Bacon's decision.

The dates for the Council meeting, in Washington, are April 22d, 23d and 24th. Maryland joins heartily with the District of Columbia in asking us to be her guests. Baltimore desires a special day, but Mrs. Reiley and Mrs. Andrews will soon write in detail concerning this meeting.

The new Field Chairman of the Endowment Fund is Mrs. W. K. James, 4805 Faraon street, St. Joseph, Mo. I had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. James at the Illinois meeting, and her presentation of the entire endowment matter was so forcible, so logical and so appealing that I am more convinced than ever of speedy success. I suggest that each State that has not yet paid its full pro rata invite Mrs. James to address District and State Conventions. Yesterday's mail brought me a delightful letter from Kegoayah Kozgu Club, of Nome, Alaska. While this club has a membership of only twenty-eight, it sends fifty dollars to the Endowment Fund. This generous gift is in memory of its beloved member, Mrs. L. N. Scroggs. Nothing has touched me more than this message from our far-away sisters. I wish each of you would report this contribution to your club, and state that no year book reaching the President's office shows more thought, more careful arrangement, than this prospectus of these brave women who are doing their share in making the future of Alaska.

On November 6th I became the guest of Mrs. Francis Everett, our efficient Board member from Illinois. It is always a special pleasure for me to see my friends and coworkers in their own homes. I love to think now of Mrs. Everett in her great study, with seven windows, glorious sunshine, blooming plants, capacious desk and well-ordered books. However, she possesses something far more precious than all of these, a husband who is deeply interested in her club work, and who does everything in his power to make her efforts bring forth the best results. Added to this is the fact that the other members of this charming family take the same attitude. Do you ever think how much we owe to the men in the development of our organization? No woman can do her best in any line of endeavor without the co-operation and encouragement of her husband, and I deem us especially fortunate that the great majority of the leaders in our organization have been blessed with husbands, sons and friends who have been an inspiration to the best that we could give. After a delightful luncheon given by Mrs. Everett to the officers of the Ossoli Club, I spoke to a group of earnest women in the beautiful Highland Park Club house and listened to Mrs. Betts, who talked inspiringly on the Drama League. On Saturday, in the ballroom of the La Salle Hotel, Mrs. Everett and I presented various General Federation matters before the meeting of the Cook County League of Clubs. Mrs. Betts, the beloved President, presided admirably, over a body before whom any speaker might be proud to appear. Later we had tea with our incomparable Mrs. Frances Squire Potter in Mrs. Wilmuth's charming apartments at the Congress Hotel. Here it was a privilege not only to greet our hostess and Dr. De Bey, but to renew the acquaintance enjoyed so long ago with Mrs. Wilmuth and to hold a conference with Mrs. Henrotin concerning the closer relationship of the General Federation with the International Council of Women. I should love dearly to see the Federation ask Mrs. Henrotin and Mrs. Philip N. Moore to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the International Council of Women at The Hague next spring, in order to see if something could not be done to bring about a proper representation of our body in this great group of cosmopolitan women. Have you heard that Mrs. Henrotin has been elected by popular vote a trustee of the University of Illinois? Certainly no honor could be more richly deserved. The next day brought us a conference with Mrs. Schoff, President of the National Congress of Mothers; Dr. Mary McEwan and Dr. Rachel Yarros. One has only to know these women in order to realize that an hour spent with them meant stimulus encouragement and at the same time relaxation.

On Monday we lunched as guest of the directors of the Chicago Woman's Club, and met face to face many of the women who are giving themselves generously to the work of preparing for our coming in 1914. I congratulate the city and the Federation upon having at the head of this great club of twelve hundred women such a woman as Mrs. George Bass. Mrs. Everett will give in next month's *Bulletin* some

news concerning the Biennial. An interesting episode at the luncheon was the fact that I had at my right hand a gifted Englishwoman, Mrs. Alexander Tweedie, noted as author and traveler, whose hospitality I had enjoyed in England. Mrs. Tweedie is tremendously interested in the development of the American women, and sees great progress since her last visit some years ago. We were discussing the value of the exchange of ideas, when some one suggested that since the universities were now exchanging professors it might be a good idea for the women of different countries to hear the leading speakers of their own sex, even though this meant bringing women across the ocean. Mrs. Tweedie generously said: "If the women of the United States will start this movement I will see that England does her part." Monday afternoon the train left for Aurora, Illinois, where the Annual Convention was to be held. I arrived on Tuesday, and was the guest of Mrs. Charles B. Young. The place of the meeting was one of the most complete, sanitary and comfortable school buildings that it has ever been my good fortune to see. Certainly the people of Aurora have good cause to be proud of such an edifice. The attendance was remarkably good, while the personality filled me with pride. I admired the direct, straightforward way in which the business was conducted, and the able manner in which the President, Mrs. Granger, presided. Although far from well, she filled the chair with grace and dignity. Miss Kate O'Connor again made me her debtor by transporting me from place to place, always delivering me on time and always adding to my comfort. I had talks with Mrs. Howard Wilson, of the Art Committee; Miss Julia Lathrop, of the Children's Bureau of Washington; Mrs. Kendall, of the Conservation Committee, and Miss Spafford, of the Endowment Committee. Under the chairmanship of Miss McDowell, Miss Lathrop made a superb address, causing us to feel more proud of our Federal officer than ever before. The Illinois women gave more than twelve hundred dollars to their Girls' Industrial Home, and also pledged over one thousand dollars to the Endowment Fund. Mrs. Chamberlain, the newly elected President of Michigan, and her secretary, were guests at the Convention. From Aurora I hastened to St. Louis to rest for two days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip N. Moore, always so hospitably open to Federation workers. I must pay tribute to the efficient services of Miss Mary Seilers, who has been Mrs. Moore's stenographer for four years, and has in this way so learned Federation work that it is a pleasure to dictate to and work with her. Within two days we sent out ninety letters, and I started to Texas, feeling that all correspondence up to date was closed.

My next engagement was with my own beloved Federation, which met in Fort Worth on the 19th. Never has there been a more successful, a more enthusiastic Convention. I mention this especially to show the vivifying effect of a large delegation from the State attending the Biennial. Everywhere one saw and felt the keen personal interest, not only in State, but in General Federation affairs. I wish to make special mention of the fact that the program was notable for the logical unity of its sessions, a point too often neglected. Moreover, every speaker was given a limit, and when the time expired he or she was rapped down. It made no difference how distinguished was the man or the woman; the President's gavel fell when the timekeeper gave the signal. In this way the program was saved, and adjournment came off in time. I told the Texas women, however, that they had a lesson to learn from Illinois, Ohio and Wisconsin, where no hats are worn in the Convention. By next fall I believe we shall adopt the checking system, so well carried out at Aurora. Mrs. McDougall, the President of Oklahoma, was an honored guest and gave an inspiring talk. The Federation decided to concentrate on two pieces of legislative work, first securing more liberal property rights for married women, and, second, compulsory education. Although Texas has long since paid every penny of the endowment pro rata, it gave \$150 more, and decided to start upon a State Endowment Fund. Mrs. Hertzberg, our beloved President, presided at a most brilliant night session, devoted to the Biennial. The five women who spoke on different phases of the San Francisco meeting used no manuscript and gave such vivid pictures that at least one hundred women told me that they would never rest content until they attended a Biennial. The last portion of the evening was devoted to an appreciation of our idolized Mrs. Decker.

It has not been possible to hold the conference for chairmen that I was so anxious to bring about. However, chairmen will send in their material and the Committee on Readjustment will carefully work over programs so as to try to eliminate duplication and overlapping of work. We fully expect to issue by February 15th a booklet containing the proposed work of all departments. The clubs have virtually decided upon their work for this year. Many program committees begin to plan in February or March; therefore, by the 15th of February we are determined to have in your hands the pamphlet containing a complete forecast of the work for 1913 and 1914. Tomorrow I return to Fort Worth to deliver an address before the State Teachers' Association and to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee of Conference for Education. Unless some unforeseen call forces me to change my plans, I shall be at home until after Christmas. When one travels so much there comes an imperative need for retiring into the quietude of one's own study to digest and work out the various problems that have been presented while flitting from State to State.

Sincerely yours,

ANNA J. H. PENNYBACKER.

The Board of Directors of the General Federation at its last meeting decided to have published a *resume* of co-operation between the Federation and other national organizations, showing the following: *American Civic Association, National Child Labor Committee, National Household Economics Association, National Civic Federation, Prison Labor Association, Tuberculosis Association, National Education Association, American Federation of Arts, Government Co-operation and various Congresses.*

AT THE CONSERVATION CONGRESS at Indianapolis, the General Federation was represented by Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Crocker and Miss Julia Lathrop, and the Daughters of the American Revolution by Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Walker.

THE CIVIC CLUBS and all clubwomen interested in the subject of health should work earnestly and actively for the carrying out of the resolutions passed at the San Francisco Biennial in regard to Health. They have been referred to the various State chairmen and relate to the following vital subjects:

1. Medical inspection of schools.
2. Properly endorsed certificates of health or of freedom from venereal diseases.
3. The establishment of National Health Service.
4. A more careful enforcement by Agricultural Department of the Pure Food and Drugs Act of 1906.

diseases for all applicants for marriage licenses.

The Department of *Health* will direct its efforts this coming year to the health of the child and the welfare of the race as touched by Tuberculosis, Social Hygiene, Food Sanitation and Environment. The general chairman, Mrs. S. S. Crockett, Nashville, Tenn., is anxious to hear from all clubs, and to give any information in regard to this health work.

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE, through its chairman, Mrs. Shepard Barnum, has issued a circular letter to all State presidents and State chairmen of education, urging upon them the consideration of the resolutions passed at the San Francisco Biennial in regard to the Educational work of the Federation. They refer to:

1. Special attention given to subjects of Peace.
2. Suppression of comic supplement issued by many newspapers.
3. Special study of political science.
4. Request the National Educational Association to appoint a committee of experts to outline an adequate normal course on subject of Sex Hygiene.
5. Vocational training for boys and girls.

These subjects are recommended to all clubs as a vital part of the work for the coming year. All inquiries should be addressed to Mrs. Shepard Barnum, 312 S. Fifth St., Alhambra, Cal.

A Memorial to a Woman.

WOMAN'S efforts for the State have been so varied and yet so effectual that one counts patriotism as one of her most attractive attributes. In these twentieth century days women's patriotic societies grow and flourish in America, for the American woman has not been a laggard in love for her country. Many women's names rise to our lips as we think of patriotic service, but no one has been more vividly identified with organized love and charity in time of national calamity than that of Clara Barton, whose death at Glen Echo, Md., April, 1912, closed the career of

a wonderfully forceful woman. Miss Barton was the first woman to be employed publicly in the government offices at Washington, an innovation which has meant a great deal to the government and women ever since; she was a leader in the nursing of Federal soldiers during the War Between the States and afterwards did great service to sorrowing humanity in looking up and identifying the graves of thousands of Federal soldiers who were buried in battlefields, camps and prisons; she became interested in the Red Cross Society of Geneva, Switzerland, and to *her* belongs the credit of establishing the American branch of the Red Cross; she was its first president, appointed by President Garfield; she saw service as a nurse in the Franco-Prussian War and the terrible days of the Paris Commune; she was the author of the American amendment, which authorizes the Red Cross the world over to administer relief in times of great national disaster as well as in war, and she organized "First Aid Associations," which are similar in scope to the St. John's Ambulance Association of England. No national disaster in America since 1881 has failed to be relieved by the Red Cross: fire, flood, earthquake, pestilence as well as war, have all been tempered in their severe results by the tender services of the Red Cross; suffering humanity has learned to know what that symbol means, and Clara Barton was the *first* American to bring its organized help into our national life.

Now a group of her friends wish to raise a suitable memorial to her in Washington or in some appropriate spot in America. The form this memorial will take has not yet been decided upon; funds, however, are being collected for this purpose before the world grows unmindful of the vivid personality of the woman. One means used to raise funds for this memorial has been offered by one of Miss Barton's old friends and coworkers, Mrs. Jno. A. Logan, of Washington, who, having recently completed a monumental work, "The Part Taken by Women in American History," has donated the net profits from this book to this memorial. It is most appropriate that such a book should be identified with the memorial and the material it contains is of inestimable value in summing up what the American woman has done and is doing for love of country.

Mrs. Logan has taken great pains in compiling this volume of 927 pages, which includes the activities of women in many directions. She treats women of the *Revolution*, of the *Confederacy*, in the *missionary* field, as *philanthropists*, as *educators, inventors, reformers, temperance workers, equal suffragists*, in *professions*, in *business*, *Jewish women, Roman Catholic women, club women, D. A. R., army nurses* in War '61-'65, *Women of New South*, etc. She has accumulated facts concerning several thousand American women in this collection, and with the index has preserved a record of inestimable value to succeeding generations. Many Southern women are here recorded and a majority of those written about in Revolutionary period and '61-'65 are Southern names. Mrs. Logan has been a remarkable woman and an ardent believer in woman's ability, influencing the life of her conspicuous husband in many ways. To her is due the credit and honor of establishing a permanent national decoration day, and she states in this book that she got the idea from a visit to Richmond, Va., in 1868, where she saw the decorations of Confederate graves. She told General Logan, her husband, then commander-in-chief of G. A. R., about this patriotic tribute which appealed so strongly to her, he issued the order for the annual decoration of graves of the deceased Union men, and worked actively for the passage of the bill by Congress for setting aside a day for the honoring of the graves of dead soldiers by a legal holiday. A number of interesting illustrations, among them Winnie Davis monument, in Hollywood cemetery, add to the value of this book. Address Mrs. John A. Logan, Clara Barton Memorial Association, Washington, D. C. Price, \$4.00.

UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

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 (Up-to-date Notes.)

THE Nineteenth Annual Convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy took place in Washington, D. C., November 12th-16th, the District of Columbia Division U. D. C. being the hostess for the occasion. The Convention program was inaugurated first in beautiful Arlington National Cemetery, on Tuesday afternoon, November 12, 1912, when occurred one of the grandest scenes in the history of the U. D. C., the laying of the corner stone of Arlington monument, the first Confederate monument erected on this historic spot, within sight of the home of our great and beloved chieftain, Robert E. Lee. Great indeed was the gathering of over 6,000 of the nation's guests, from North, South, East and West, to join in these long-anticipated exercises. Indeed, it was the one event, which more than all others, brought the Convention of the U. D. C. to the nation's capital. South Carolina's own son, Col. Hilary A. Herbert, was master of ceremonies, doing honor to the occasion, while Corporal James Tanner, of the G. A. R., was intrusted with the mighty task of paying tribute to the valor of the brave men in both armies—truly expressing the sentiment of this historic occasion. Col. William Jennings Bryan was orator of the day—and closed his address by saying, it was appropriate that the work of erecting this great monument should have been left to the care of the U. D. C.; also expressing the hope that this monument will breathe the spirit of national unity forever. Many other noted persons were on the platform, among them: Miss Mary Lee, only living daughter of Gen. Robert E. Lee, and Mrs. Odenheimer, First Vice President-General U. D. C., representing the President-General, Mrs. Alexander White. All eyes were centered on the immediate ceremony of laying the corner stone. Colonel Herbert placed the first trowel full of mortar on the spot where the stone lies, while Mrs. Odenheimer put the first over the box containing the various emblems placed beneath the stone. As the stone dropped into place, a mighty cheer arose; and that vast audience turned to listen to the orator of the day, W. J. Bryan; after which the band played, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," making each feel that we were drawn closer together. Thus ended one of the great events of our history of monuments.

The opening exercises of the Convention were held at the beautiful Continental Memorial Hall on Tuesday evening at 8:30, November 12, 1912, lent for the occasion through the courtesy of the D. A. R., Mrs. Matthew Scott, their President-General, occupying one of the boxes, and Mrs. Wm. H. Taft occupying another. The Marine Band furnished the music for the evening. The Convention was called to order by Mrs. Marion Butler, President of the hostess Chapter. Invocation by the Rev. Alfred Harding,

bishop of Washington. Welcome addresses were made by Mrs. Marion Butler, President District of Columbia Division U. D. C.; Hon. C. H. Rudolph, President Board of Commissioners, District of Columbia, and Wm. H. Taft, President of the United States, whose address on this occasion was an epoch-making speech for all Americans and did credit to the big heart and splendid brain of this true-hearted, patriotic man. "Tenting Tonight" was beautifully rendered by a double quartet of male voices. Mrs. Monroe McClurg, of Mississippi, responded to the addresses of welcome on behalf of the Daughters. Mrs. Fannie Ransom Williams, of North Carolina, presented to the U. D. C. a silk Confederate flag, from Mr. Orren Randolph Smith, the designer of the original flag, which was received with thanks by the Acting President-General. The session closed with the playing of "The Star Spangled Banner," while the audience stood and loudly cheered. Among the distinguished guests on the stage this evening were noted Wm. Jennings Bryan and Chief Justice White, of the United State Supreme Court. All business sessions of the Convention were held in the beautifully decorated ballroom of the New Willard Hotel, with Mrs. Odenheimer, Acting President, in the chair. The first regular business began Wednesday morning, November 13th, with the U. D. C. Ritual. As each State was called the delegates arose and remained standing until their representative presented their State flag to the hostess division. South Carolina, Virginia and North Carolina flags brought forth loud applause.

The memorial services were simple and impressive, the Secretary-General calling the roll of States and naming those who had died during the year. The members of each State delegation stood in silence while the names of the deceased of their division were read.

The report of the President-General, Mrs. White, was read by Mrs. Odenheimer; contained a strong plea for harmony in our organization; recommended the extension of the time for the bestowal of crosses; that the Historian-General be authorized to prepare and have published a history of the U. D. C. organization, and that, until Arlington and Shiloh monuments be completed, no enterprise requiring a large sum of money be undertaken by the U. D. C.

The Credential Committee, Mrs. Drury Ludlow, D. C., chairman, reported present nine general officers (the President-General, Mrs. White and the Second Vice President-General, Mrs. McAlester, alone being absent), four chairmen of standing committees present, namely: *History*, Miss Rutherford, Ga.; *Education*, Miss Poppenheim, S. C.; *Prize at Columbia University*, Mrs. Schuyler, N. Y., and *Historical Souvenir*, Mrs. Cantrell, Ky.; eighteen State Presidents present, namely: Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia; 818 Chapters represented by 1,000 delegates, making a voting strength of the Convention 2,091, 201 more votes than last year's Convention.

The report of Mrs. Roy McKinney, Recording Secretary, showed an increase of 56 new chapters, Virginia leading with 12; Mississippi and South Carolina come next

with 7 each; 4,502 certificates of membership issued during the year; 142 charters applied for, and 1,600 copies Richmond minutes distributed.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Schnabel, reported a total of 1,739 letters and circulars sent out during the year, to which she received 349 answers.

Mrs. James Gantt, Registrar-General, reported 4,500 new names recorded on her books. Up to date total recorded: 45,270 U. D. C.; of these 7,052 are from Virginia. California, District of Columbia, Texas and West Virginia have none recorded yet. These forty-five thousand names are in Volumes I, II, III, in the Confederate Museum, in Richmond, Va.

Mrs. C. B. Tate, of Virginia, Treasurer-General, reported a balance in the treasury of \$5,173; the receipts for the year amounted to \$14,093, while expenses were \$8,919, these being the largest amount for any one year in the nineteen years of the organization.

The Custodian of Crosses, Mrs. Raines, showed 12,300 crosses delivered in 1912; 66,845 crosses had been bestowed in all, and the time for bestowal was extended *indefinitely*. Mrs. M. A. Cobb Erwin, Athens, Ga., the originator of the Cross of Honor, was present at the Convention and spoke on the questions regarding the Cross.

Mrs. Walke, Custodian of Flags, reported several new ones given by the States, and that she had, them all, in safe-keeping.

The Historian-General, Miss Mildred Rutherford, of Georgia, reported some good work done by a few of the States—others did nothing; and even Georgia, who claims so many good things, allowed Texas to claim the "Banner of Merit" for having made the best record of the year, in historical sketches. She severely upbraided the Daughters for their failure to keep Southern history straight, by securing true accounts from those who alone know them, and who are fast passing away. She condemned the use of Northern textbooks in our Southern schools, and insisted that the "War Between the States" should *not be* called the Civil War.

The Committee on Education, Miss Mary Poppenheim, S. C., chairman, reported eleven General U. D. C. scholarships, valued at \$2,560, and 197 State scholarships, valued at \$20,022, making a total of 208 scholarships, valued at \$22,582, the educational output of the U. D. C. for 1912; 34 scholarships and \$6,402 more than in 1911. The Vassar scholarship is held by Miss Walker, of Georgia, and goes next year to Louisiana; the Washington and Lee scholarship was divided this year between three students, and next year is open to all States; the Bristol School scholarship is held by Miss Alexander, Oklahoma, and next year is open to all States for competition except Oklahoma. After this report a scholarship at the Castle School, Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson, valued at \$1,000, was given the U. D. C. by Miss Mason, the principal; a scholarship at the University of Pennsylvania, valued at \$200, was given the U. D. C., through Mrs. Bashansky, of Alabama, a scholarship at the University of Chicago, and one at the Loretta Academy, in Kentucky, were also given the General Association, making

four new general scholarships. The details of the awarding of these will be sent out by the General Committee on Education U. D. C. in February, 1913. Georgia leads the States in scholarships, supporting 63, valued at \$5,693 annually; Alabama followed with 23 scholarships, valued at \$2,031 annually. The plan suggested for the U. D. C. to endow a chair of Southern history at Peabody Normal College, was referred to this Committee on Education.

The Prize Essay, Columbia University Committee, Mrs. Schuyler, N. Y., chairman, told of a series of essays written for this \$100 prize offered to the Teachers' College of Columbia University. It was this year awarded to Miss Frances Baldwin Higgins, of Alabama, her subject being, "Southern Plantations Before the War." The essay will be printed in the *Confederate Veteran*.

Col. Hilary Herbert, chairman of Arlington Monument Association, reported \$20,000 still required for the completion of the monument, which the association hopes to unveil June 1st, 1913, just before the reunion of the Union and Confederate soldiers on the battlefield of Gettysburg, Pa., July 1st. Donations were taken from the floor amounting to \$2,500. The District of Columbia Camp of U. C. V. gave the largest amount, \$800, and \$100 of this sum was contributed by a Union soldier; \$8,172 were collected for this monument in 1912; making a total collection of \$29,821; \$18,063 are on hand, \$10,000 having been paid the artist, Sir Moses Ezekiel, and \$1,207 having been expended incident to the laying of the corner stone. Virginia led the States in collections in 1912 with \$1,127; North Carolina second, with \$924; South Carolina third, with \$702; Georgia fourth, with \$566. The Convention resolved to request each member to contribute fifty cents to the Arlington fund during the next year. If this is done sufficient money will be raised to defray all the expenses incident to the erection of the monument.

The Shiloh Monument Committee reported \$5,156 collected in 1912. The sale of Shiloh postcards of "Bloody Pond," has added considerably to the monument fund. Contributions amounting to \$1,800 were subscribed from the floor. This fund now amounts to \$17,356. State collections showed Tennessee first, with \$555; Virginia second, with \$506; Kentucky third, with \$329; Florida fourth, with \$326; South Carolina fifth, with \$282.

The report of the Seal Committee, read by Mrs. Henry Durr, Alabama, showed a balance of \$803 in the treasury, with nearly 1,000,000 seals still on hand to be sold.

The State reports were exceedingly good, showing a greater interest in all division work. Virginia received the Certificate of Merit, given by Mrs. White, President-General, for obtaining the largest number of new members during the year, the total increase being 1,933. Georgia came second, with 864; Mississippi third, with 786; South Carolina fourth, with 443.

The Revision of the Constitution, presented by the committee, Mrs. F. R. Williams, N. C., chairman; Mrs. Eller, Virginia; Mrs. Cooley, Florida; Mrs. Baker, Tennessee, and Miss Poppenheim, South Carolina, was not considered owing to the lack of time; the committee was retained and

empowered to present the matter at the New Orleans Convention in 1913.

Resolutions were adopted making January 19th "R. E. Lee Day," on which day "Confederate seals will be used on all mail sent out by U. D. C.," emphatic disapproval of the use of the name and picture of R. E. Lee for advertising purposes on any merchandise was adopted, with loud cheers. The following appropriations were made from the general treasury on approval of the Finance Committee: Shiloh and Arlington monuments, each, \$700; education, \$350; Washington and Lee scholarship, \$300; prize essay, \$100; typewriter, \$100; emergency expenses, \$100; Treasurer's aid, \$50.

The Relief Committee, Mrs. Randolph, Virginia, reported systematic relief work for Confederate women in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Kentucky and Arkansas; Mississippi and Missouri provide for them in their Soldiers' Homes; Virginia relieved last year 67 old ladies with a monthly stipend of from \$3 to \$10. The Legislature of Virginia gave \$2,500 for this work. The Trador fund amounted in the year to \$121.

The Badge will in future be sold for the U. D. C. by Mrs. E. K. Overstreet, Sylvania, Ga., as Mrs. Raines asked to be relieved of this duty since the bestowal of crosses will continue without time limit.

Invitations from New York and New Orleans were extended to the Convention for the 1913 meeting. New York afterwards withdrew in favor of New Orleans.

The election of officers was without excitement, all being re-elected by acclamation, except the Third Vice President; Mrs. Faison, of North Carolina, was elected Third Vice President. Mrs. Gant, the Registrar, refusing re-election, Mrs. Orlando Haliburton, Arkansas, was elected to this office.

The U. D. C. during the Convention placed a wreath each on the statues of Lee and Grant in Statuary Hall in the capitol.

Too much cannot be said of the generous hospitality shown the Daughters while in our beautiful capital city; there were many splendid entertainments, among which were a delightful trip to the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., where the delegates were entertained by Governor and Mrs. Goldsborough; a trip to Mt. Vernon and Christ church, Alexandria, where Washington and Lee worshiped. Here the Alexandria Chapter entertained at lunch, Miss Mary Lee, General Lee's only surviving daughter, being the guest of honor for the occasion. The reception at the White House, given by President and Mrs. Taft; the beautiful reception in the magnificently decorated ballroom, given by the hostess division; the delightful reception by the District of Columbia Veterans at the Confederate Memorial Home; the brilliant reception in the "Hall of Americas," given by the Southern Society of Washington, the Southern Commercial Congress and the Pan-American Union; the reception at the Congressional Library, given by the Southern Relief Society, and the beautiful receptions given in their homes by Mrs. Marion Butler, Col. Hilary Herbert, Miss Bristol of the Bristol School, Mrs. Phœbe Seabrook, Mrs. S. A. Willis, Mrs. Harriet Turner and Mrs.

Sam'l Spencer, all on Thursday afternoon, were some of the pleasures enjoyed.

Great was the hospitality of Washington, and we are sure that every one who attended will agree, we were made to feel at home, and to realize that President Taft's words, "I give you the freedom of the city," were spoken with sincerity.

MRS. J. L. McWHIRTER,
Fourth Vice President, S. C. Division U. D. C.

KU KLUX KLAN.—This booklet, published by the Mississippi Division, U. D. C., to be sold and all proceeds to go to the erection of a monument at Beauvoir, Miss. (home of Jefferson Davis), to the memory of Confederate Veterans, contains absolutely correct history of the origin of this famous Klan. Price, per copy, 30 cents, postpaid. Address: Mrs. S. E. F. Rose, President Miss. Div. U. D. C., West Point, Miss.

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Recorder of Crosses—Mrs. W. H. Fowler, Yorkville.
(79 Chapters—3,743 Members.)

THE Seventeenth Annual Convention of the South Carolina Division U. D. C. was held in Charleston, S. C., December 3d-5th, 1912, the Charleston Chapter No. 4, U. D. C., being the hostess for the Convention. The Division had not met in Charleston since the first Convention, December 9th, 1896, and so was especially a welcomed guest. The business sessions were held in Market Hall, the Chapter Room of the U. D. C., and the attendance was excellent. The opening exercises took place December 3d in the Chapter Room and consisted of a prayer by Rev. Dr. Alex. Sprunt; an address of welcome from the city by Gen. C. L. Walker, U. C. V., and one from the Charleston Chapter by Miss M. B. Washington, President of the Charleston Chapter; the response from the Division was made by Miss Kennedy, S. D. Lee Chapter, Clinton, and fraternal greetings were brought from the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs by their President, Mrs. M. T. Coleman, Abbeville, and from the D. A. R.'s by the State Regent, Mrs. Louise Mayes, Greenville. The Credential Committee reported nine officers, two chairmen of standing committees and representatives from chapters, making a Convention vote of 145. It was regretted that Miss Alice Earle, Second Vice President; Mrs. C. J. Milling, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. J. A. Burton, Registrar, were absent from the meeting. Miss Michie, of Darlington, with Mrs. W. B. Owens, the Corresponding Secretary, acted the Secretary's part for the meeting, and the minutes were well kept and punctual in their presentation. The President, Mrs. C. E. Graham, presided with gentle dignity and courteous firmness and dispatched the business of the meeting. In her annual report stated that she had attended all the District Conferences: Spartanburg, Johnston, St. Matthews and Marion; that seven new chapters had been chartered, with 146 charter members, three new chapters in the Edisto District bearing the historic names of "Hampton Legion," "Hart's Battery" and "Johnson Hagood." This

report showed one monument unveiled, that at Johnston, S. C.; 443 new members enrolled, making a total of 3,743 U. D. C.'s in South Carolina; showed that \$5,326 had been spent by the U. D. C. in South Carolina in 1912, of which \$1,164 had been spent on education; there were six new children's chapters organized during the year, making the total number of children chapters in South Carolina now number 22. The President recommended that *all chapters read* the minutes of the State Convention and purchase *extra* copies of them for their officers; that all U. D. C.'s use every effort to bestow Crosses of Honor to surviving veterans before it is too late, and that the District Conferences be held in April and May for the comfort and convenience of that season. All of these recommendations were adopted. The District Vice Presidents' reports were very interesting. Mrs. St. J. A. Lawton reported for her district six new chapters and fifteen old ones working. Mrs. Burch reported for the Pee Dee a good Conference and two new chapters in process of organization. Mrs. McWhirter reported for the Piedmont twenty-six working chapters, two new chapters and three chapter scholarships, beside the District scholarship.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. Milling, Darlington, sent her report, which showed two hundred copies of the minutes printed, three meetings of the Executive Board attended. Extra copies of the minutes may be secured from this office, price fourteen cents, postage paid.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Owens, Clinton, reported 166 letters received and 462 letters and postals written.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Perry Lancaster, reported 79 chapters, 198 new members. Total receipts for 1912, \$1,163; total expenses, \$564; balance, 1913, \$267. Chapter taxes amounted to \$248.91; charter fees were \$18.

The Recorder of Crosses, Mrs. Fowler, Yorkville, reported 621 crosses given out in 1912. Total given out in South Carolina, 8,068, and of these 5,000 were given out up to 1907. There are 250 applications for crosses on file ready to be arranged for in 1913.

The Registrar, Mrs. Burton, Newberry, being ill, there was no report from her, but Mrs. Graham, who had been Registrar prior to Mrs. Burton, reported 3,040 papers had been carefully gone over and she presented the book with these records to the Convention. She also reported that Mrs. Gantt, the Registrar-General U. D. C., reported that South Carolina was one of the three States which were fully registered in the U. D. C. Records.

The Historical Evening was celebrated Tuesday, December 3d, at the Hibernian Hall, Miss Washington, the Division Historian, in charge of the program, which consisted of an address by Col. L. G. Young on "Jefferson Davis and Abraham Lincoln;" a paper on the "Red Shirt Movement of 1876," by Col. J. A. Dickert, read by Mrs. Jno. Cart, Orangeburg; a poem, "The Iron Cross," by Mrs. R. C. Stevens, Greenville Chapter, read by Miss Elise Langley, Charleston Chapter; a well-selected musical program, in charge of Mrs. C. B. Huiet, and the presentation of a reproduction of the Great Seal of the Confederacy to the Confederate Home College Chapter U. D. C., by the

Charleston Chapter. At this session the presentation to the Charleston Chapter, through their president, of the chapter flag at the roll call of chapters by the Division President was an effective exercise; the bright colors of the flags and the enthusiasm of the audience being marked. The Historian's report showed that twenty-five chapters had responded to her circulars; about twenty papers had been filed for the Historical Collection.

Miss Fleming, Greenwood, who had charge of the Rolls of Honor, reported a renewed interest in this work this year. She had sent out 4,222 and had had returned for filing in the Confederate Museum, in Richmond, 3,002; the Winnie Davis Chapter, Yorkville, alone filled out 2,139 Rolls of Honor in 1912.

The Committee on Education, Miss Mary Poppenheim, Charleston, reported four Division scholarships, one at South Carolina University, held by Mr. Burnett Stoney, Camden, S. C., value \$175; two at Winthrop College, value \$144 each, held, respectively, by Miss Virginia Taylor, Camden, and Miss Anne Gantt; a partial scholarship at the Confederate Home College, value \$100, this scholarship is vacant; one Piedmont District scholarship, at Winthrop College, value \$144, held by Miss Azele Wofford, Madden, Laurens county; three chapter scholarships, one by Greenville Chapter at Winthrop College, value \$144; one by Greenwood Chapter at Lander College, value \$194; one by Orangeburg Chapter at Orangeburg Collegiate Institute, value \$125. Total, eight scholarships, valued at \$1,104. In the chapter reports the Fairfax Chapter reported a music scholarship, value \$22.50; the Calvin Crozier Chapter, Newberry, reported their scholarship at Newberry College, value \$50, and the Moses Wood Chapter, Gaffney, reported their scholarship at Limestone College, value \$170, making three new chapter scholarships, giving a total for South Carolina of eleven scholarships, valued at \$1,346. The Charleston Chapter reported giving \$50 towards the salary of a professor at the Confederate Home College. The chairman reported a balance of \$57 to the credit of this committee for 1913. Pledges for 1913 taken on floor of the Convention amounted to \$188.

The Arlington Director, Mrs. Keitt, Clemson College, reported chapter contributions, \$625.21; school collections, \$66.41; personal donations, \$30.95; grand total from South Carolina in 1912 for Arlington monument, \$722.57. The Division gave \$50 for this monument, and it was decided to adopt May 13th as *Arlington Day*, when chapters could work for this monument.

The Shiloh Director, Miss Mary Poppenheim, Charleston, reported \$291 given to Shiloh monument fund in 1912 by forty-five chapters, three individuals and two children's chapters; six Lee pictures were sold for \$15, the Charleston Chapter purchasing five for the white public schools of that city; \$17 worth of Shiloh postcards sold, thirty-six dozen being disposed of by Mrs. J. L. McWhirter personally, and \$3.75 for "Confederate Banners" pamphlets. Chapters were urged to celebrate "Shiloh Day" in April. A regular Shiloh program will be sent each chapter in March, and the Convention decided that a part of this program should be the report for "Shiloh" printed in the

minutes of the *Charleston* Convention. Pledges taken on the floor for 1913 amounted to \$162.

The Abner Perrin Monument Committee reported that a stone from the Spottsylvania quarries was being erected over General Perrin's grave, at Fredericksburg, Va., and that Mrs. Barney would take care of it in the future. The Committee on Return of Flags begged to be discontinued; the Secession Hill Committee was continued another year; the Committee on General Bee Plot at Pendleton reported that lot put in order by Mrs. Russell, a member of the Bee family; this committee was continued another year. Miss Isabel Martin, Regent for South Carolina Room in the Confederate Museum, at Richmond, reported a portrait of Gen. M. C. Butler unveiled there in November, the gift of the M. C. Butler Chapter, Shandon, Mrs. U. R. Brooks, President. Chapters were urged to help raise the endowment fund of \$2,000 for this room; many chapters give annually to the cause; the Division gave \$10 at this meeting. The Committee on the Publication of the Rolls of Honor was continued, with the understanding that they would look into the matter of a legislative appropriation for this work.

The following resolutions were adopted: One urging the U. D. C. to preserve the truly *memorial* character of Memorial Day and not make it a picnic celebration; one approving the idea of a Girls' Reformatory in South Carolina, and expressing sympathy with such an idea; one expressing appreciation of President Taft's courtesy and consideration toward the U. D. C. while in Convention at Washington, D. C. It was decided that the Division memorialize the Legislature to continue the South Carolina Historical Commission because of their valuable assistance in historical work. A change in the date of the Convention was discussed, and the presentation of chapter flags was explained as an idea which applied only to the *Charleston* Convention, as that chapter had a Chapter Room. The book, "South Carolina Women in the Confederacy," is offered for sale by the Division; price, 50 cents, postage 14 cents extra. Address all orders to Mrs. Claude Girardeau, Columbia, S. C. The election of officers resulted in the re-election of all the old officers except the Recorder of Crosses, who declined re-election because of ill health; Mrs. Jno. Cart, Orangeburg, was elected to fill her place, and the Auditor's term having expired, Mrs. U. R. Brooks, of Columbia, was elected for this office. Invitations for the next place of meeting will be received by the Executive Committee.

The Social Features consisted of the two luncheons given by the *Charleston* Chapter at the St. John Hotel; a reception by the hostess chapter Wednesday evening at the Chapter Room; a reception by the *Charleston* City Federation of Women's Clubs at the South Carolina Hall Tuesday afternoon; a reception by the *Rebecca Motte* Chapter D. A. R. in the Chapter Room in the Gibbs Art Building Wednesday afternoon, and a reception by the Confederate Home College Chapter at the Confederate Home College on Thursday afternoon. The Convention was marked by earnest work, good feeling, harmony and a hopeful outlook for the future.

M. B. P.

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

This department is official, and will be continued monthly. Reports and suggestions should be sent to Mrs. Gordon Finger, Charlotte, N. C., Manager, by the 15th of each month for insertion in the next month's *Keystone*.

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(91 Chapters—4,300 Members.)

CONVENTION AFTERMATH: My co-managers will agree with me that to condense the impressions, the enthusiasms, the inspirations and the business activities of a big band of resourceful women through a Convention week in a brief article is difficult for a mistress of terseness. So you will know that these leftovers occurred because of my inability to "cover" my news matters in the quantity of the King's English our rightful part of *The Keystone*.

AFTER YEARS of urging on her part, Miss Rebecca Cameron, the splendid and faithful Historian of the Division for ten years, was relieved of her active responsibilities and she made Honorary Historian for life, the first to be so honored. The Conference of Leaders of Children of the Confederacy, no longer an innovation, received marked approbation as one of the few Convention features calculated to improve methods and aid the worker at home. Possibly the most original and practical number on that program was Miss Mabel Tuck's "Attractive methods of teaching Confederate History," which the chairman hopes to devise means of getting to the leaders now present at Salisbury. The new President has recognized the work of this department by appointing the chairman to be the first holder of the office of "Director of Children of Confederacy." Substantially the same rules of last year will be used in the award of the State Banner for the best year's work and leaders can plan their work without waiting for the Director's circular, which will be issued later.

The report on Education was received with enthusiasm, tempered with sorrow, that the chairman, Mrs. Eugene Little, Wadesboro, one of the faithful and moving spirits in all Confederate and public-spirited enterprises, was detained by illness. An interesting item was that in addition to the State Normal scholarships for girls and various college, university and secondary school scholarships maintained by or donated to the Division, there are nineteen individual chapter scholarship in the State. Later a telegram of congratulation was received by the Convention from the president of a big business concern in the State in commendation of the educational work. Rev. Geo. H. Atkinson, president of the Albemarle Institute, was extended the privilege of telling how cheaply his school (a philanthropic enterprise) furnished educational and self-development advantages to the class of girls our educational scheme tends to help and solicited our interest in placing scholarships there. The D. A. R. have already recognized it as a means of further-

ing their aims. May I personally endorse and recommend the work there from first hand knowledge; at least write to Mr. Atkinson and get particulars.

FROM WASHINGTON CONVENTION: Of course a proper report of the General Convention will be made by the editorial staff of *The Keystone*, but we may be allowed to include some distinctive State items. Our President, Mrs. Marshall Williams, was a guest in the home of the President of the District of Columbia Division, Mrs. Marion Butler, who gave a reception in her honor. Mrs. Butler was Miss Florence Faison, of North Carolina, and the North Carolina delegation presented her with a lovely tribute in flowers when she was engaged in the opening ceremonies as hostess, our President gracefully noting the happy fact of her nativity. Mrs. I. W. Faison, of Charlotte, an ex-President and Arlington Director, was honored by being one of the six representative Southern women invited to join the President's group in the White House when he and Mrs. Taft received in honor of the U. D. C.'s. Another State laurel was that to us came one of the two newly filled general offices, Mrs. Faison being elected one of the Vice President-Generals. Another matter of vital interest is that our desire for further time for awarding Crosses of Honor was more than realized. The time is extended to the New Orleans Convention, next November. Mrs. F. M. Williams will also present her revision of the Constitution as chairman at that time; lack of time is the reason for postponement.

CAROLINA AND SOUTHERN CROSS: Mrs. L. V. Archbell, the editor, is proceeding with this splendid publication in the interest of the whole people, knowing State history, the children especially. Its interests are not expected to conflict with any publications now having our support, but those who gave their names as subscribers are reminded that new government postal laws are blue laws of strictness and the price, \$1.00, must be sent immediately; also the Division must redeem its promise to secure subscriptions if we will not hamper the devoted editor and leader in her plans. The publication has met praise on all sides; shall we who are given the honor of organizing and launching it fail with our support? North Carolina womanhood, especially Confederate stock, is not of that calibre. We have freely promised our aid and can be depended upon.

MRS. GORDON FINGER.

The editors received the following from Mrs. Finger from Baltimore, Md., which will be of interest to North Carolina women:

"Greetings and good wishes from the American Civic Association, where I am having a feast of ideas and fellowship with leaders and experts in a work dear to our hearts; the trip was an instant surprise but an opportunity not to be missed because it was not on my crowded schedule and I not ready."

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(134 Chapters—8,516 Members.)

THE Virginia Division is jubilant over winning the Certificate of Merit, and is resolved to make a better fight at the New Orleans Convention for the Historical Banner than it did in Washington. Each Chapter is urged to send to Mrs. F. L. Holmes, State Historian, Surry, an account of all historical work done, manuscripts collected and original articles prepared.

All daughters who rejoice in the preservation of historical spots will be delighted to learn that the Sutherlin mansion in Danville and its beautiful grounds have been acquired by the joint efforts of the public-spirited citizens of that city and the co-operation of Ann Eliza Johns Chapter and Danville Chapter U. D. C. In addition to its value as a civic center, the Sutherlin place is memorable as the scene of the last Cabinet meeting held by President Davis in Virginia. The city of Danville and our two Chapters deserve unstinted praise for their patriotic action.

Those who recall the vivid picture of the Wilderness battles and the tragic glory of the Bloody Angle in Miss Johnston's "Cease Firing" may not all know that the men who fell upon the field sleep in unmarked graves. A register has been prepared, giving the name and the State of each soldier so far as it has been ascertained. Georgia leads the list, then come North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina, but Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas and Arkansas are all represented. The ladies of Spotsylvania and their associates who have so faithfully watched over this cemetery desire each State to mark its own soldiers with a simple headstone, and it is hoped that all will unite in a monument to the known and unknown dead. Surely too long has this pious deed been neglected, and with monuments and markers to the Union soldiers around them we must reproach ourselves with some indifference to the memory of our men in gray.

New Chapters are in process of formation in Powhatan, Bath, Highland and Northampton counties. Plans are being made for District meetings in April in each District, and the Virginia Division hopes for a year of substantial gain in membership and rich accomplishment in all its departments.

MRS. A. A. CAMPBELL,
President Va. Division U. D. C.

Under the Library Lamp.

THE reading hour in every home may be made useful and cultural by a careful selection of current literature, and the books and magazines read in a home direct many of the opinions and views of that home.

"*Literary Hearthstones of Dixie*," by La Salle Corbett Pickett, widow of General Pickett, and author of "*Pickett and His Men*," is a delightful appreciative tribute to a group of Southern poets. Mrs. Pickett, as a Southern woman, understands the spirit of the people they wrote about and in her charming manner tells some of the incidents in their lives, making each one stand out as a personality. She has chosen *Edgar Allan Poe*, the poet of the night; *Sidney Lanier*, the sunrise poet; *Paul Hamilton Hayne*, the poet of the pines; *Timrod*, the flame-born poet; *Wm. Gilmore Simms*, Father Abbott; *Joel Chandler Harris*, Uncle Remus; *Francis Scott Key*, the poet of the flag; *Father Ryan*, the poet priest; *Dr. George William Bagby*, bacon and greens; *Margaret Junkin Preston*, woman and poet; *Augusta Evans Wilson*, the mother of St. Elmo. Besides being a valuable addition to the field of Southern literature, this book will be warmly welcomed by the many friends of this gifted, talented, beautiful woman of the Old South. The portraits add considerable interest and value to the book.

(Cloth, \$1.50. J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.)

"*The Provincial American*," by Meredith Nicholson, is a most entertaining collection of short essays written in Mr. Nicholson's charming, conversational style, treating subjects of modern life from his personal point of view. Most of these papers here published appeared formerly in the *Atlantic Monthly*, and the public generally is glad to have them now in permanent book form. As a native of Indiana the author writes about *Indianapolis*, but his expressions and opinions in regard to this city are quite applicable to many other American cities. *Should Smith Go to Church*; *Smith, the Tired Business Man*; *Dr. Experience and Confessions of a Best Seller*, are all entertaining points of view and Mr. Nicholson has handled these subjects in a broad way, showing up some of the weaknesses as well as the virtues of the modern American man, as contrasted with old world communities. This is a thoroughly delightful book to read aloud and is sure to arouse in the average reader a desire for the simple life and an appreciation of the real things in life.

(Cloth, \$1.25. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, Mass.)

"*My Lady's Garter*," by Jacques Futrelle, appeared last summer in the *Saturday Evening Post* and has recently been published in book form. The touching little dedication brings to mind the author's tragic death: *To the heroes of the Titanic I dedicate this, my husband's book—May Futrelle*. Mr. Futrelle's portrait is used as a frontispiece and this last work of the Southern author stands out in this book as a sort of "*Titanic Memorial*." The garter referred to is that of the Countess of Salisbury, presented to her by Edward III to replace the one picked up by the King from which the *Order of the Garter*, Britain's highest order of chivalry, was created. One of these garters was for a long time a relic in the British Museum, from which it was stolen and brought to America. The plot circles around the theft of this jewel, and the "*Hawk*," a celebrated robber, plays a most conspicuous part in the drama. The story is full of action and interwoven with the mysteries of theft and adventure is an interesting love story.

(Cloth, \$1.35. Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago, Ill.)

"*The Cradle of the Deep*," by Jacob Fisher, is a thrilling story about the adventures of Eleanor Channing and John Starbuck, cast upon a desert island after the sinking of a South Pacific liner. Along with them was saved a Frenchman, one of the passengers, and the contrast between the two men in the trying experiences in providing for this young woman is strongly brought out. The book is full of romance and adventure. Many dramatic incidents occur and a most satisfying ending is brought about. It is a good story, full of action, and will appeal to the man and woman who occasionally like to read for real amusement and self forgetfulness.

(Cloth, \$1.25. L. C. Page & Co., Boston, Mass.)

"*The Court of St. Simon*," by Anthony Partridge, the author of the "*Kingdom of Earth*" and other stories, is one of the most exciting and entertaining of the new novels. It is not problematical or historical, but full of action and adventure, and written in such an easy style that one really enjoys the story. The plot is well carried out and the ending brought about in a most dramatic manner. The character of "*St. Simon*" is a most fascinating study, and while the adventures of the secret band in Paris are gruesome at times, the part taken by "*St. Simon*" stands out in marked contrast to that of "*Sophy's*" brother.

(Cloth, \$1.50. Little, Brown & Co., Boston.)

"*On the Charleston Boulevard*," a waltz song and chorus, music and words by L. C. Emm, is a clever musical bit recently published by the Globe Music Co., 1193 Broadway, New York City. It is another tribute in song and harmony to the "Old City by the Sea."

"*Mornings With Masters of Art*," by H. H. Powers, Ph. D., president of the Bureau of University Travel, is a most valuable and instructive book on early art. Dr. Powers has visited the great galleries of Europe frequently during the last twenty years and has made a special study of art. In this book he confines his descriptions and criticisms to the art which truly represents Christian religion and to understand his remarks the reader must consider the picture or piece of statuary in its setting in church or gallery and if possible have a copy before him. Among the great artists belonging to this special period whom he delights to write about are Cimabue, Giotto, Fra Angelo, Fra Fillipo Lippi, Botticelli, Ghilberti, Donatello, Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael, and Michael Angelo. This book is most interesting to any one who has visited the European galleries or who may be planning a visit, or to any club studying the old masters. The volume has 450 pages, numerous illustrations and is written in an entertaining analytical style rather than technical. In placing these masters in proper relation to the age and various countries the author gives us a broad outlook on Christian religious art and helps us to understand and appreciate this great period of art.

(Cloth, \$2.00. The Macmillan Company, New York.)

"*The Wind Before the Dawn*," by Dell H. Munger, is the epic of the farmer's wife and is an earnest plea for justice to the hard working woman in the home of the Western farmer. Mrs. Munger has lived in every part of the West and thoroughly understands pioneer conditions in Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado. In this book she vividly describes the routine work in the home and the calamities possible in these communities. Her descriptions of the cyclone and invasion of the grasshoppers are most graphic. All the characters and incidents are products of the author's brain, but the situation in the *Hunter* home is not confined to Kansas, being suggested as typical of a race and age. In portraying the injury and injustice done to these women, Mrs. Munger makes a strong appeal for the true essentials for happiness in marriage. The book has many dramatic chapters, many heartrending incidents and arouses the reader's sympathy for the woman in the home. Illustrations by Thomas Fogarty are very suggestive.

(Cloth, \$1.35. Doubleday, Page & Co., New York City.)

Wagner's *Meistersinger* has been translated and retold in English verse most satisfactorily by Dr. Oliver Huckel, the translator of "*Parsifal*," "*Lohengrin*," etc. While this humorous work of the great Wagner is well known to many, this finished translation is most heartily welcomed. Dr. Huckel has spent much time in Nuremberg and has attended many Sangerfests, so that he has been able to preserve most faithfully the medieval atmosphere of this quaint city and to keep the distinctive German humor and emotion. He has adhered closely to the original text and in simple style presented a graceful story in smooth English blank verse.

(Cloth, 75 cents. Thomas Y. Crowell Co., New York City.)

"*The Nonsensical U. S. A.*," by Stuart B. Stone, is a satirical humorous take off on the fault and foibles of this great new country. The author handles such subjects as the *history* of the United States, the various *States*, *population*, *professions*, *wealth*, *manufacturing*, *transportation*, *politics*, *education*, *literature*, *art*, *sports*, and in every instance the cynical, ludicrous and absurd points are brought out. A number of comic illustrations add to the reader's interest. This little book, of 175 pages, is just the thing to read aloud to a group or to enjoy on the deck of a ship.

(Cloth. H. M. Caldwell & Co., Boston.)

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